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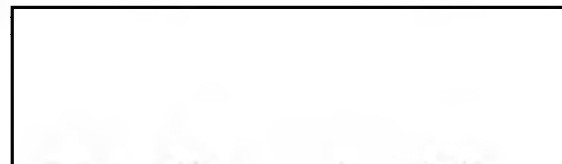
MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT: Mission 1018-1, 2

1. This memorandum contains a suggestion for an item to be raised at USIB.

2. The referenced mission had a duration of 6 days. It was flown at an inclination of 96° , which was based on SSD information that the vehicle could furnish a lifetime of 9 days at that inclination. During the final preparation for launch, the estimated life slipped down to 7 days, and finally to 6, resulting in very inefficient use of film.

3. It is recommended that the NRO representative to USIB be questioned as to his action, to insure that such an incident is not repeated.



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